

## REMARKS

Reconsideration of the application in view of the above amendments and the following remarks is requested.

In the office action mailed on May 18, 2006, the Examiner indicated that claims 2, 3, 5 – 17, 20, 21, and 23 – 60 were allowed. However, the Applicant notes that the claims on file were claims 2, 3, 5, 6, 20, 21, 23 – 45, and 61, as indicated in the Applicant's agent's correspondence filed February 8, 2006.

In the outstanding office action, the Examiner rejected claim 61, and the Examiner also indicated that the balance of the claims on file are allowed.

The Applicant has cancelled claim 61.

On the basis of the amendments to the claims and the foregoing remarks, it is believed that the claims on file (i.e., after cancellation of claim 61, as requested herein) are allowable. The Applicant's agent invites the Examiner to contact the Applicant's agent via telephone if the Examiner considers that a telephone conference would be of assistance in this matter.

Respectfully submitted,  
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